CHAPTER VI—AGRICULTURE, CO-OPERATION AND FORESTS.

(i) Weather and Crops.

455. The districtwar distribution of rainfall according to season was as follows:—

Districts	South-west Monsoon		North-east Monsoon		Total	
	April 1953 to Sept. 1953	Average	Oct. 1953 to March 1954	Average	April 1953 to March 1954	Average
	Inches	Inches	Inches	Inches	Inches	Inches
Bangalore ...	21·3	21·9	13·4	9·1	34·7	31·0
Kolar ...	22·9	19·3	16·9	9·0	39·8	28·3
Tumkur ...	18·9	18·3	15·6	7·8	34·5	26·1
Mysore ...	24·7	19·4	12·5	9·7	37·2	29·1
Mandya ...	21·8	18·5	15·2	9·8	37·0	28·3
Hassan ...	36·2	28·7	13·7	10·0	49·9	38·7
Shimoga ...	64·8	49·4	10·4	7·6	75·2	57·0
Chikmagalur ...	86·8	63·2	15·6	10·3	102·4	73·5
Chitaldrug ...	13·3	15·4	12·9	6·6	26·2	22·0
Bellary ...	18·4	...	8·0	...	26·4	...
State Total ...	32·9	27·1	13·4	8·8	46·3	35·9

456. The highest total rainfall for the year (1st April 1953 to 31st March 1954) was 322·01 inches at Agumbe in Shimoga district. The lowest total rainfall for the year was 11·12 inches gauged at Yerahalli, Hiriyur Taluk, Chitaldrug District.

457. The heaviest fall in 24 hours for the year was again at Agumbe in Shimoga District where a rainfall of 14·00 inches was recorded on 30th June 1953.

(ii) Department of Agriculture.

458. After 20 years of absence, Dr. L. C. Coleman visited the State during the year. He toured the entire State including Bellary and made a rapid study of the